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|  | **SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**  ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS |
| Accelerated Graduate Program Request |
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Use this form to request an accelerated graduate program and the appropriate required codes from the Enrollment Services Center. After the university President approves the proposal, submit a signed copy to the Executive Director through the system Chief Academic Officer.

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| **UNIVERSITY:** | DSU |
| **NAME AND DEGREE (e.g., BA, BS) OF UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM:** | **BS Computer Information Systems** |
| **NAME AND DEGREE (e.g., MA, MS, PhD) OF GRADUATE PROGRAM:** | **MS Health Informatics and Information Management** |

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

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| Vice President of Academic Affairs or President of the University |  | Date |

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An accelerated graduate program for the purposes of this guideline is a graduate program at a Regental institution that allows a student to count courses for undergraduate and graduate credit simultaneously. Board Policy 2.4.2 – Course Level, Numbering, and Enrollment in Courses governs the transfer of courses between the undergraduate and graduate program.

Board of Regents Policy 2.2.2.1 – Seamless Transfer of Credit requires the Board of Regents to approve accelerated programs involving the transfer of thirteen (13) or more credits up to a total of twenty-five (25) total transfer credit hours at the accepting institution. In other words, an institution may create an accelerated program of one (1) to twelve (12) hours without Board approval. However, an accelerated program requires the creation of coding by the Enrollment Services Center (ESC) regardless of whether or not the accelerated program is accepting more than twelve (12) credit hours.

1. **Maximum number of credits allowed to transfer between undergraduate and graduate program:**

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| **Up to 12 graduate credits (4 courses) from MSHIIM Program** | **4 undergraduate courses from CIS BS program** |
| HIMS 742 Healthcare Informatics, Information Systems and Technology | CIS 325 Management Information Systems |
| HIMS 743 Advanced Topics in Health Informatics and Information Management | HIM 444 Digital Health Technology |
| HIMS 744 Data Analytics in Healthcare | HIM 380 Digital Health Data Analytics |
| HIMS 745 Cyber Ethics | BADM 350 Legal Environment in Business |
| HIMS 746 Data Governance | HIM 440 Healthcare Information Governance |
| HIMS 747 Leadership and Management for Health Informatics | CIS 427 Information Systems Planning and Management OR BADM 360 Organizational Management |
| HIMS 748 Research Design in Health Informatics | HIM 450 Digital Health Informatics and Information Management Research |
| HIMS 751 Classification Systems and the Revenue Cycle | HIM 364 Healthcare Standards and Interoperability |

1. **Is the response to Question 1 more than thirteen (13) credit hours?**

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| Yes  (requires BOR approval) | No  (does not require BOR approval) |

1. **What is the proposed date (day/month/year) the accelerated program would begin?**

Fall 2026

1. **Please provide a brief explanation of the accelerated program, including specific courses eligible for both the undergraduate and graduate program credit.**

The College of Business and Information Systems is proposing an Accelerated Program for the BS Computer Information Systems program to Master of Science in Health Informatics and Information Management. This program will offer our undergraduate majors a unique opportunity to obtain both bachelor’s and master’s degrees in five years. Students will be allowed to take up to 12 credits of graduate course work (see above) which will count towards both their undergraduate BSCIS and the MSHIIM degree.